EXHIBIT "A"

COUNTY OF BRONX			
Joseph Vere	X		
	Plaintiff/Petitioner,		
- against -		Index No.812059/2021E	
JOHN DOE ET AL			
	Defendant/Respondent.		
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX	Index No.: Date Purchased:
JOSEPH VERE,	SUMMONS
Plaintiff,	Plaintiff designates Bronx
	County as the place of trial.
-against-	
	The basis of venue is:
"JOHN DOE", a fictitious name/person intended to be the unknown operator/owner of the subject vehicle	Plaintiff's residence.
and J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC.,	Plaintiff resides at:
	1133 Boston Road, Apartment A4
Defendants.	Bronx, New York 10456
	County of Bronx

TO THE DEFENDANTS:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer or, if the complaint is not served with summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: Garden City, New York September 7, 2021

Yours, etc.,

SANDERS, ARONOVA, GROSSMAN, WOYCIK, MIENER & KALANT, PLLC

JENNIFER M. GERDES, ESQ.

Attorney for Plaintiff

JOSEPH VERE

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TO:

J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC. 615 J.B. Hunt Corporate Drive Lowell, Arkansas 72745

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SUPREME COURT OF THE COUNTY OF BRONX		
JOSEPH VERE, -against-	Plaintiff,	Index No.: VERIFIED COMPLAINT
"JOHN DOE", a fictitious nar be the unknown operator/own and J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT	er of the subject vehicle	
	Defendants.	

Plaintiff, by his attorneys, SANDERS, ARONOVA, GROSSMAN, WOYCIK, VIENER & KALANT, PLLC, complaining of the defendants above-named, respectfully alleges as follows:

AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF PLAINTIFF: JOSEPH VERE

- 1. That at all the times hereinafter mentioned, plaintiff was and still is a resident of the County of Bronx and State of New York.
- 2. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., was and still is a domestic corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New York.
- J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., is a foreign corporation authorized to do business in the State of New York.

- 4. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., was and still is a limited liability company doing business in the State of New York.
- 5. That at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., was the registered owner of a certain motor vehicle bearing license plate number 2929111 for the State of Arkansas for the year 2020.
- 6. That at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., was the titled owner of a certain motor vehicle bearing license plate number 2929111 for the State of Arkansas for the year 2020.
- 7. That at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", was the registered owner of a certain motor vehicle bearing license plate number 2929111 for the State of Arkansas for the year 2020.
- 8. That at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", was the titled owner of a certain motor vehicle bearing license plate number 2929111 for the State of Arkansas for the year 2020.
- 9. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", was the operator of the aforesaid motor vehicle.
- 10. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", was operating the aforesaid motor vehicle of the defendant owner, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., in the State of New York.



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- Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", was the operator of the aforesaid motor vehicle with the consent and permission of the defendant owner, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC.
- 12. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", was the operator of the aforesaid motor vehicle in the course of his employment with the defendant owner, J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC
- Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant,J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., maintained the aforesaid motor vehicle.
- 14. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", maintained the aforesaid motor vehicle.
- Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant,J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC., controlled the aforesaid motor vehicle.
- 16. Upon information and belief, that at all the times hereinafter mentioned, defendant, "JOHN DOE", controlled the aforesaid motor vehicle.
- 17. That at all the times hereinafter mentioned, Boston Road, County of Bronx and State of New York, was and still is a public street and highway.
- 18. That on or about the 17th day of March, 2020, plaintiff was lawfully operating his motor vehicle at the aforesaid location.
- 19. That at the aforesaid time and place, the defendants' motor vehicle came into contact with the motor vehicle of the plaintiff.

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20. That as a result thereof, this plaintiff was caused to sustain a serious injury as defined under §5102(d) of the Insurance Law of the State of New York, or economic loss greater than basic economic loss as defined in §5102(a) of the Insurance Law.

21. That the said occurrence and serious injuries sustained by this plaintiff were occasioned through the negligence of the defendants, their agents, servants and/or employees, in causing and permitting their motor vehicle to be operated in a negligent and dangerous manner; in following too closely, in failing and omitting to have their motor vehicle under reasonable and proper control; in carelessly and negligently causing and permitting their motor vehicle to be operated over and along a public highway at a high and/or excessive rate of speed and/or a greater rate of speed than care and caution would permit under the circumstances then and there existing: in failing to be properly alert; in failing to keep a proper lookout and to see what was there to be seen; in failing to make proper, prompt, and efficient use of adequate brakes and steering mechanisms; in failing to obey traffic signs and signals at the intersection; in failing to properly maintain and equip their motor vehicle; in causing, permitting, and allowing their motor vehicle to come into contact with the motor vehicle of the plaintiff; in failing to take those steps necessary to avoid the accident herein; in failing to slow down and/or stop at the intersection; in failing to observe the conditions of traffic then and there prevailing; in operating their vehicle without regard to the traffic then present on the said thoroughfare; in failing to bring their vehicle to proper stops so as to avoid contact with the motor vehicle of the plaintiff; in failing to sound a warning or give any other sign by horn or otherwise of their approach or of the impending accident; in failing to operate said vehicle in their proper lanes of traffic; in failing to slow down their vehicle in order to take cognizance of other vehicles at or near the intersection prior to entering into the intersection.

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22. That this action falls within one or more of the exceptions set forth in CPLR §1602 and does not limit the liability of the defendants' joint or several responsibility.

23. That by reason of the premises as aforesaid, this plaintiff was rendered sick, sore, lame, and disabled and his injuries upon information and belief, are of a permanent character. That by reason thereof, he has been prevented from following his usual vocation and has been obliged to incur expense and obligations for medicines, medical care, attention, and treatment, and he is informed, and he verily believes, that he will, in the future, be obliged to incur expense and obligations for medicines, medical care, attention, and treatment and continuous pain and suffering and be unable to follow his current vocation, all to his damage in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower Courts.

AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF PLAINTIFF: JOSEPH VERE

- 24. This plaintiff repeats, reiterates, and re-alleges each and every allegation contained in paragraphs of the complaint designated "1" through "23", inclusive with the same force and effect as though said paragraphs were more fully and completely set forth herein at length.
- 25. That as a result thereof, this plaintiff was caused to sustain a serious injury as defined under §5102(d) of the Insurance Law of the State of New York, or economic loss greater than basic economic loss as defined in §5102(a) of the Insurance Law.
- 26. To the extent that the expenses incurred and other consequential losses suffered by plaintiff are not covered by the No-Fault Insurance benefits, defendants shall be liable to plaintiff to the full extent thereof, in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower Courts.

AS AND FOR A THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION ON BEHALF OF PLAINTIFF: JOSEPH VERE

- 27. This plaintiff repeats, reiterates, and re-alleges each and every allegation contained in paragraphs of the Complaint designated "1" through "26," inclusive with the same force and effect as though said paragraphs were more fully and completely set forth herein at length.
- 28. That at all the times herein mentioned, plaintiff, JOSEPH VERE, was the registered owner of a certain motor vehicle bearing license plate number JLK5429 for the State of New York for the year 2020, and was responsible for the maintenance and control of the aforesaid motor vehicle.
- 29. That prior to the time of the occurrence discussed herein, the motor vehicle had been in perfect condition and was fully capable of performing and actually did perform all the duties of an operating motor vehicle.
- 30. That as a result of the foregoing, this plaintiff has expended and become obligated for sums of money for property damage to plaintiff's motor vehicle, and has expended money in an effort to return the motor vehicle to its proper running condition; and the plaintiff's motor vehicle has sustained property damage as a result of the negligence of the defendant, all to this plaintiff's damage in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower Courts.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays for judgment against defendants in the first cause of action in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower Courts; in the second cause of action in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower Courts; and in the third cause of action in an amount which exceeds the jurisdictional limits of all lower Courts, all together

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with the costs and disbursements incurred herein, and for such other, further and different relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: Garden City, New York September 7, 2021

Yours, etc.,

SANDERS, ARONOVA, GROSSMAN, WOYÇIK, VIENER & KALANT, PLLC

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ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

JENNIFER M. GERDES, ESQ., an attorney duly admitted to practice before the Courts

of the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am an attorney at SANDERS, ARONOVA, GROSSMAN, WOYCIK, VIENER &

KALANT, PLLC, and attorneys of record for Plaintiff, JOSEPH VERE. I have read the annexed

COMPLAINT and know the contents thereof, and the same are true to my knowledge, except

those matters therein which are stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those

matters I believe them to be true. My belief, as to those matters therein not stated upon knowledge,

is based upon facts, records, and other pertinent information contained in my files.

This verification is made by me because Plaintiff is not presently in the County wherein I

maintain my offices.

Dated: Garden City, New York

September 7, 2021

JENNIFÉR M. GERDES, ESO.

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Index No. SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BRONX

JOSEPH VERE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

"JOHN DOE", a fictitious name/person intended to be the unknown operator/owner of the subject vehicle and J.B. HUNT TRANSPORT, INC.,

Defendants.

SUMMONS AND VERIFIED COMPLAINT

SANDERS, ARONOVA, GROSSMAN, WOYCIK, VIENER & KALANT, PLLC

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TO:

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on

a.m.

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT

ATTORNEY CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 22 NYCRR 130-1.1A

Pursuant to 22 NYCRR 130-1.1a, the undersigned, an attorney admitted to practice in the courts of New York State, certified that, upon information and belief, and after reasonable inquiry, the contentions contained in the annexed documents are not frivolous.

Dated:

Yours, etc.,

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